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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive
3 Engineers and Trainmen will celebrate the 150th anniversary of
4 the union's founding on May 8, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, The Brotherhood was founded in Marshall, Michigan
6 by a farsighted group of practical locomotive engineers who
7 were among America's labor union pioneers; and

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WHEREAS, The visionary founders of the Brotherhood
9 entrusted the leadership of this fledgling organization to the
10 capable direction of W.D. Robinson of Detroit, Michigan; and

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WHEREAS, Over a century and a half of dedicated service by
12 the Brotherhood to locomotive engineers, the railroads, and
13 working men and women everywhere attests to the remarkable
14 leadership provided by Mr. Robinson and his successors and to
15 the strength of the dedication and loyalty of members of the
16 Brotherhood throughout the years; and

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WHEREAS, Today, as a modern national union and a division
18 of the Teamsters Rail Conference, the Brotherhood is ably led
19 by its President, Dennis R. Pierce, at its headquarters in
20 Cleveland, Ohio, and maintains its traditional concern for the
21 well-being of those whose labor has contributed, and continues

1 to contribute, to our great standard of living; therefore, be
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3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we congratulate the members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive
6 Engineers and Trainmen on the 150th anniversary of the union's
7 founding and extend our best wishes to them in their future
8 endeavors on behalf of working people; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to Paul S. Piekarski, State Legislative Chairman for
11 the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen/Teamsters
12 Rail Conference.